

justice system, its rules of evidence and its constitutional guarantees.

The creation of military tribunals would permit secret arrests, secret charges using secret evidence, secret prosecutions, secret witnesses, secret trials, secret convictions, secret sentencing, and even secret executions. The Fifth Amendment to the Constitution establishes that "No person shall \* \* \* be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law." It is therefore a matter of protecting our Constitutional rights that defendants in terrorism cases receive full due process under the law.

Furthermore, failure to subject suspected terrorists to the Constitutionally-based American system of justice will cause America to lose moral standing in the world. For years the State Department has strongly opposed the use of secret courts in countries such as Russia, China, Egypt, Peru—and Columbia. Just this summer China held secret trials of several US based scholars on espionage charges. One of the scholars was a U.S. citizen and another two were U.S. permanent residents. We demand full due process for Americans charged with a crime in a foreign country and we should not set a different standard for our non-citizens.

Just days ago Spain announced that it will not extradite eight men charged with complicity in the Sept. 11th attacks unless the United States agrees to try the suspects by a civilian court and not by a military tribunal. According to an article in the New York Times on Nov. 24, 2001, "A senior European Union official \* \* \* said he doubted that any of the 15 nations—all of which have renounced the death penalty and signed the European Convention on Human Rights—would agree to extradition that involved the possibility of a military trial."

Noted conservative columnist, William Safire, put to rest the erroneous argument that the establishment of military tribunals was consistent with military justice. According to Safire, "Military attorneys are silently seething \* \* \* The Uniform Code of Military Justice demands a public trial, proof beyond reasonable doubt, an accused's voice in the selection of juries and the right to choose counsel, unanimity in death sentencing and above all appellate review by civilians confirmed by the Senate. Not one of these fundamental rights can be found in (the Administration's) military order setting up kangaroo courts for people he designates before "trial" to be terrorists."

We can not, and should not, let the actions of terrorists cause us to degrade our American system of justice.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE VICTIMS OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

#### HON. STEPHEN HORN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 28, 2001*

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, the tragedy of September 11th touched all Americans in some way. Many of us in Congress lost people from the districts we represent. Some we knew personally. Others we wished we'd had a chance to meet.

I rise today to honor three heroes whom we lost on September 11th. Dorothy DeAraujo, Christopher Newton, and Marie Pappalardo. Dorothy DeAraujo, was an aspiring artist whom I knew while serving as the president of California State University, Long Beach. She worked as the business manager's assistant on campus, while she earned her Bachelors Degree in the Arts at age 69. I remember Dorothy as a delightful person who was always painting. Dorothy was aboard United Airlines flight 175 that hit the south tower of the World Trade Center. She was returning from a visit with her son in Bedford, Massachusetts. At the age of 80, Dorothy was still an avid painter. She lived in the Naples waterbased community within Long Beach. She spent her time tending to her garden and painting vibrant watercolor scenes. Dorothy often painted famous Long Beach landmarks such as the Queen Mary. She enjoyed traveling to places such as France, Australia, and Italy for their scenery and museums. She will always be remembered by her friends and neighbors as "our artist."

Christopher Newton, a Long Beach native, was a passenger aboard American Airlines flight 77 that crashed into the Pentagon. The morning of September 11th; Chris boarded his flight for LAX with two objectives. Officially he was on business, but he also was returning to southern California to retrieve the family dog. Chris and his wife Amy had recently moved their young family from southern California to his Northern Virginia headquarters. Friends remember Chris as a devoted family man. He also had a quick sense of humor. Chris valued family as well. An Eagle Scout at 13, Chris was both a Scoutmaster and Little League manager for his children, 8-year-old Sarah, and 11-year-old Michael. Parents reported that Chris was the kind of scoutmaster who treated all the boys as if they were his own.

Marie Pappalardo was a passenger aboard the Los Angeles bound United Airlines flight 175—the same flight that carried Dorothy DeAraujo. Marie was returning from her annual visit to Methuen, Massachusetts for her daughter's 33rd birthday. Marie lived in the city of Paramount with her husband Steven Santoyo. The couple worked together at ALA Foods and shared a love for horse racing. Marie's family and friends remember her as a wonderful woman who was dedicated to her family and her three teenage stepdaughters.

#### STATEMENT IN HONOR OF NANCY H. BECHTLE

#### HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 28, 2001*

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to salute Nancy Hellman Bechtle for her longstanding commitment to the San Francisco Bay Area community. For the last fourteen years, Nancy Bechtle has served as the President of the San Francisco Symphony. On December 3, 2001, the Board of Governors of the San Francisco Symphony, civic leaders, elected officials and friends and fans will gather for a tribute dinner and concert in Nancy's honor, to

recognize what her Presidency and overall leadership has meant to the community.

A fourth generation San Franciscan and alumna of Stanford University, Nancy Bechtle comes from a family tradition which has blessed California with its philanthropy and civic involvement and she is passing this legacy on to her children. Nancy Bechtle has been a member of the Symphony's Board of Governors since 1984. Elected in 1987, she is the second woman to hold the position of President of the San Francisco Symphony.

Mrs. Bechtle's tenure was one of the most successful in the Symphony's history, highlighted by the appointment of Michael Tilson Thomas as Music Director, the completion of an acoustic renovation of Davies Symphony Hall, a major touring program that has taken the Symphony throughout Europe, Asia and the United States and the release of numerous Grammy Award winning recordings. Mrs. Bechtle, with her grace and strength, negotiated a historic six year labor agreement signed in January of 1999. As a result of these efforts, the San Francisco Symphony is considered one of the world's premiere orchestral ensembles. In addition, Mrs. Bechtle has illustrated her commitment to the San Francisco community by establishing annual outdoor concerts as well as expanding the Symphony's education program for youth, Adventures in Music. Mrs. Bechtle has been recognized with numerous awards for her outstanding service to the community.

I am proud to Join my constituents in thanking and praising my friend Nancy Bechtle for her fourteen extraordinary years as President of the San Francisco Symphony. We have been truly blessed by her leadership, will miss her as President, and wish her well in all her endeavors, including her continued service on the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Symphony.

#### FLOOR STATEMENT FOR REP. ELLEN TAUSCHER

#### HON. ELLEN D. TAUSCHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 28, 2001*

Mrs. TAUSCHER. Mr. Speaker, we have mourned. We have remembered. And we have flown the flag.

We have done a lot to honor those lost.

But we can do more to honor the men and women who became some of the greatest heroes in American history on September 11.

Many families are still searching for peace of mind and for how to explain to their children that their moms or dads aren't coming home. One of those people is Deena Burnett, who lost her husband Tom on flight 93. Another is Laurie Hart, whose husband John was in the World Trade Center September 11.

These two men are shining examples of the American spirit, and of our bravery and values as a Nation.

Nothing will ever bring back Tom or John, but we must do everything we can to help their families keep their memories alive.

Deena Burnett would like to hear the recording from flight 93's cockpit recorder. And I believe we owe that to her.